

light automatic gun mounted on his machine.

**New York.**—Dr. Richard Derby, who married Ethel Roosevelt, daughter of the ex-president, headed a party of seven American physicians who sailed today on the Olympic to work in the American ambulance hospital in Paris. The former Miss Roosevelt accompanied her husband. She will aid him in caring for the wounded.

**Paris.**—Entire French left, with new armies sent to its support, were engaged practically all night and the battle raged with greatest violence, according to today's earliest reports.

Germans have made supreme effort to check allied advance along the Oise and to push their line forward so as to split the allied forces between Noyon and St. Quentin, but they have been unsuccessful.

New allied armies which moved east from Amiens and Doullens are reported to have so strongly strengthened the allies left that the capture of St. Quentin is considered certain within a short time.

Germans reported merely holding their entrenched positions in the center. Believed due to fact that they have been compelled to withdraw large quantities of men and artillery and send them to west to reinforce German right.

On extreme French right, according to latest information, Germans are giving ground before the French at the northern part of the French right where it joins the center, but it has been found impossible to prevent as yet the advance of the Germans along the Meuse in the direction of St. Mihiel. They have not, however, been able to cross the river.

German line now begins at Mons, in Belgium, swings west to St. Amand, south through Cambria, St. Quentin, on the main road through Ham to Noyon.

French successfully holding Nancy against fierce attacks of Germans, led by kaiser in person, and those

which have been centered at Toul are moving northward and will, if they have not already, give battle to the Germans in this section.

Reports describe fighting on French left, which began shortly after midnight on Thursday and has continued unchecked, as most desperate of war.

**Petrograd.**—Advices from Austrian front say that capture of Przemyśl is believed imminent. All non-combatants have been permitted to leave city and Russian bombardment continues from all sides. Already weakness noted in the eastern forts where the fire of the Russian artillery has been unusually deadly.

Meanwhile Russian army is continuing movement along the railroad lines both from Jaroslaw and Przemyśl toward Cracow. It is now known that desperate resistance will be encountered at Cracow. Strong German force has now assumed work of defending that important fortification and German general detailed from German general staff had replaced Austrian commandant, according to advices reaching this city.

Announced that Russian army of Gen. Rennenkampf has assumed offensive and has repulsed the Germans who tried to invade Russian Poland in the direction of Suwalki. While details are lacking early reports indicate that repulse has been serious to Germans, who were driven back toward Gumbinnen with loss of many men and number of cannon.

General Russian advance on German positions, with Berlin as object, admittedly well in progress.

#### —o—o— BITS OF NEWS

Joy Morton, former pres. Great Western Cereal Co., involved in \$10,000,000 damage suit against the Quaker Oats Co. by the former cereal company's stockholders.

Thief stole satchel containing \$1,000 in bonds from auto of C. T. Dillon, Collison, Ill., standing in front of Hotel LaSalle.